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**Civic body takes BPL certificates to doorstep of the poor**  
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**Pune: The Pimpri-Chinchwad Municipal Corporation has begun dispatching below poverty line (BPL) certificates to citizens falling under the BPL category. PCMC is providing this facility to all citizens who have been recently added in this category, said additional commissioner Subash Dumbre. Dumbre said that a total of 17,500 families who fall under the BPL category would benefit from this initiative of the municipal corporation.**

**They would not have to come to the municipal corporation offices and**

**stand in queue to get their certificates. Recently, around 17,644 families living in Pimpri Chinchwad have been added in the BPL list. PCMC has recently announced that all these families who have been added to the BPL would get certificates pertaining to the same. The certificate is necessary for the BPL families to avail any schemes that the government offers them. Along with the certificates, various women self-help groups run by women falling in BPL category would be given books explaining various schemes that are run by PCMC for citizens falling under BPL category. PCMC officials said that because of these books the women would be**

**able to avail facilities which are their rights.**

**The distribution of these books has begun since February 19. Recently, PCMC conducted a survey of all the BPL families living in its jurisdiction, following which a list of BPL families was prepared by the state government and PCMC. Currently, the BPL families are collecting certificates from citizen facilitation centres.**